

AMENDMENT

In the Claims

Please rewrite claims 2-7, 10, 12-17, and 21-26 as follows. Marked-up copies of the claims as amended are attached pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(c):

2. (Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the pre-set trading configurations correspond to filter settings for at least one filter criterion; and wherein a first remote server, connected to a first workstation associated with a first trader having associated first filter settings, blocks from view by the first trader any currency trades from other traders not meeting the at least one filter criterion corresponding to the first filter settings.

3. (Amended) The system of claim 2, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes credit rating restrictions.

4. (Amended) The system of claim 2, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes geographic restrictions.

5. (Amended) The system of claim 2, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes institution-based restrictions.

6. (Amended) The system of claim 2, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes trade amount restrictions.

7. (Amended) The system of claim 2, wherein the at least one filter criterion including temporary restrictions is used by the remote server to block the display of trades from the specified trader from view by the first trader.

10. (Amended) A system for conducting electronic trading of foreign exchange forwards, the system comprising:

a central server for tracking currency trades;

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a plurality of trading workstations organized in a plurality of groups for conducting electronic data-based trading, with a portion of the trading workstations associated with respective telephones for conducting voice-based trading;

a plurality of remote servers, each respective remote server being associated with a respective group of trading workstations and interfacing the respective group of trading workstations to the central server, wherein the remote servers mediate the currency trades between traders using the workstations by consulting pre-set trading configurations associated with each trader corresponding to filter settings for at least one filter criterion, which includes temporary restrictions on a specified trader set by a first trader to put the specified trader into a penalty box state relative to the first trader; and

wherein a first remote server, connected to a first workstation associated with a first trader having associated first filter settings, blocks from view by the first trader any currency trades from other traders, including the specified trader in the penalty box state, not meeting the at least one filter criterion corresponding to the first filter settings.

12. (Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the pre-set trading configurations correspond to filter settings for at least one filter criterion; and

wherein the step of mediating includes the steps of:

evaluating trades to and from a first workstation utilizing the first filter settings at a first remote server connected to the first workstation associated with a first trader having associated first filter settings; and

blocking from view by the first trader any currency trades from other traders not meeting the at least one filter criterion corresponding to the first filter settings.

13. (Amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes credit rating restrictions.

14. (Amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes geographic restrictions.

15. (Amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes institution-based restrictions.

16. (Amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes trade amount restrictions.

17. (Amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes temporary restrictions on the specified trader specified by the first trader for implementing the penalty box state of the specified trader.

21. (Amended) A system for conducting electronic trading of foreign exchange forwards, the system comprising:

a central server for tracking currency trades;

a plurality of trading workstations; and

at least one remote server interfacing the trading workstations to the central server, wherein the at least one remote server mediates the currency trades between traders using the workstations by consulting filter settings for at least one filter criterion associated with each trader; and

wherein a first remote server, connected to a first workstation associated with a first trader having associated first filter settings, blocks from view by the first trader any currency trades from other traders not meeting the at least one filter criterion corresponding to the first filter settings, wherein the pre-set trading configurations include temporary restrictions on a specified trader set by a first trader to put the specified trader into a penalty box state.

22. (Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes credit rating restrictions.

23. (Amended) The system of claim 21, wherein the at least one filter criterion includes credit geographic restrictions.

24. (Amended) A system for conducting electronic trading of foreign exchange forwards, the system comprising:

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- a central server for tracking currency trades;
- a plurality of trading workstations; and
- at least one remote server interfacing the trading workstations to the central server, wherein the at least one remote server mediates the currency trades between traders using the workstations by consulting at least one filter criterion which includes temporary restrictions on a specified trader specified by a first trader to put the specified trader into a penalty box state.

25. A system for conducting electronic trading of foreign exchange forwards, the system comprising:

- a central server for tracking currency trades;
- a plurality of trading workstations; and
- at least one remote server interfacing the trading workstations to the central server, wherein the at least one remote server mediates the currency trades between traders using the workstations using a database listing a set of traders, stored in a memory of the remote server, with which a first trader is willing to trade, and wherein the remote server uses pre-set trading configurations including temporary restrictions on a specified trader set by a first trader to put the specified trader into a penalty box state; and

wherein the remote server, responsive to a selection by the

first trader of a subset of the set of traders, conveys a request-for-quote transmission from the first trader to the selected subset of traders.

26. (Amended) A system for conducting electronic trading of foreign exchange forwards, the system comprising:

- a central server for tracking currency trades;
- a plurality of trading workstations; and
- at least one remote server interfacing the trading workstations to the central server, wherein the at least one remote server mediates the currency trades between traders using the workstations using pre-set trading configurations including temporary restrictions on a specified trader set by a first trader to put the specified trader into a penalty box state;

wherein at least one trading workstation is associated with a telephone for providing voice communications between a trader associated therewith and other entities having telephone capabilities; and

wherein the trading workstation provides data communications between the trader associated therewith and other entities having data communication capabilities, thereby providing traders on the system with both voice-based and data-based trading functionality.